

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/586,641  
Applicant(s): Hirokatsu SHIMADA  
For: PRINTER CONTROL DEVICE AND METHOD TO CONTROL  
PRINTERS IN NETWORK TO WHICH MULTIPLE PRINTERS  
ARE CONNECTED, AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT  
TO PERFORM SAID CONTROL  
Confirmation No.: 7764  
Customer No.: 24367  
Docket No.: 15162/02070  
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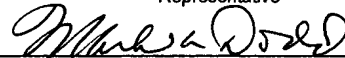
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Dear Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the Office Action, dated January 13, 2006, be extended for one month to May 13, 2006 (because May 13<sup>th</sup> falls on a Saturday, this Amendment is being filed on Monday, May 15, 2006).

A response to the Office Action, dated January 13, 2006, is filed concurrently herewith.

A Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization for the one month extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) is submitted herewith. In the event that the Response

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Transmittal and Fee Authorization is not present, is not sufficient, or is not acceptable,  
please charge any fee (other than issue fee) required during the pendency of this U.S.  
patent application to Sidley Austin LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260.

Respectfully submitted,

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